



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, August 13, 2019

Council Session

Item G-2

Approving Minutes of August 6, 2019 City Council Special Meeting

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CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

August 6, 2019

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska was conducted in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 100 East First Street, on August 6, 2019. Notice of the meeting was given in *The Grand Island Independent* on July 31, 2019.

Mayor Roger G. Steele called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following City Council members were present: Mike Paulick, Michelle Fitzke, Mark Stelk, Jeremy Jones, Jason Conley, Vaughn Minton, Julie Hehnke, Clay Schutz, Mitch Nickerson, and Chuck Haase. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator Jerry Janulewicz, City Clerk RaNae Edwards, Finance Director Patrick Brown, Interim City Attorney Stacy Nonhof, and Public Works Director John Collins.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was said.

SPECIAL ITEMS:

#2019-226 - Consideration and Approval of FY 2019/2020 FTE Budget Requests. Finance Director Patrick Brown reported that on July 16th Council was presented with FTE requests by Department Directors. Those presentations included reorganizations by Administration and Police Departments. Additional FTEs were requested for Library (1.5 FTEs), Building (0.40 FTE), Parks - Cemetery (0.50 Seasonal FTE), Parks-Fieldhouse/Heartland Public Shooting Park (0.25 FTE), Parks-Greenhouse (0.80 FTE), and Fire (6.0 FTEs). On July 23rd Council was presented with additional information regarding the request of six (6) FTEs for the Fire Department Ambulance Service.

City Administration was recommending Council authorize and approve the proposed department FTE reorganizations for City Clerk, Police, and Library at no financial impact to the General Fund.

The following people spoke in support:

- Tiffanie Landon, 1220 West 8th Street
- Ann Miller, 704 South Cherry Street
- Jared Stockwell, 4052 Allen Avenue

A lengthy discussion was held regarding the additional 6 FTE's for the Fire Department. Fire Chief Cory Schmidt answered questions regarding over-time stating he didn't see a decrease in over-time with 6 additional positions. Total revenue per call was approximately \$300.00. Mentioned by Councilmember Haase were time-a-day staffing, sustainability, and concerns of the finances over the next 3 to 5 years.

Motion by Paulick, second by Fitzke to approve Resolution #2019-226 including all FTE's that were requested. Upon roll call vote, Councilmembers Schutz, Hehnke, Minton, Conley, Stelk, Jones, Fitzke, and Paulick voted aye. Councilmembers Nickerson and Haase voted no. Motion adopted.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Minton, second by Hehnke to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:19 p.m. for the purpose of a strategy session with respect to IAFF and FOP Union negotiations. Unanimously approved.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: Motion by Minton, second by Paulick to return to Regular Session at 9:01 p.m. Unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

RaNae Edwards
City Clerk